



Japan-What's Next?

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Venue : Torsten, 3rd floor, Stockholm School of Economics, Sveavägen 65,

Conference Program

June 9: Bringing together Business leaders, Officials and Scholars

8:30

Welcome remarks

Marie Söderberg, Director, European Institute of Japanese Studies
Lars Bergman, President, Stockholm School of Economics
H. E. Mr. Yoshiki Watanabe, Japanese Ambassador to Sweden

I. Session (9:00)

Japan's Economy after the Crisis-Consequences, Impact and Prospects

Chair: Patricia A. Nelson, Senior Research Fellow, EIJS

Carlo Filippini, Professor, Bocconi University

“The effect of the crisis on the Japanese economy”

Bo Dankis, Chairman, Swedish Trade Council

“What does the crisis mean for European Companies?”

Naohiko Nishio, Director, Mitsubishi Corporation, Stockholm Office

“How Japanese Companies in Sweden are affected?”

General discussion

10:30

Coffee Break

II. Session (11:00)

EU-Japan current state of affairs

Chair: John Swenson-Wright, Senior Lecturer, University of Cambridge

Analyzing current state of the relationship after the EU-Japan Summit in May. What kind of cooperation are we to expect in the future?

Axel Berkofsky, Professor, University of Pavia
"EU-Japan Cooperation - From Framework to Ad-Hoc Cooperation"

Yuichi Hosoya, Professor, Keio University
"The EU-Japan Relations and the Future of East Asian Order:
from a Japanese Perspective"

Florence Liou, Deputy Head of Division, European External Action Service
"Assessment of the Summit Outcome – A European Perspective"

Jiro Takamoto, Chief of the EU unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan
"Assessment of the Summit Outcome – A Japanese Perspective"

General discussion

12:30 Lunch

III. Session (13:30)

EU-Japan Trade and Investment

Chair: Anders Ahnlid, Director-General for Trade
Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden

Patricia A. Nelson, Senior Research Fellow, EIJS
"Lessons from the EU-Korea and US-Korea Free Trade Agreements"

Hosuk Lee-Makiyama, Director,
European Centre for International Political Economy
"What forces will be driving the FTA process?"

Yasu Matsuyama, Special Advisor, Ministry of Economy, Trade and
Industry, Japan and JETRO London Office
"Japan-EU Economic Integration Agreement: Now or Never?"

Antonio Parenti, Deputy Head of Unit DG Trade, European Commission
"Towards an EU-Japan FTA? State of Play and Stumbling Blocks"

General discussion

15:00 Coffee Break

IV. Session (15:30-17:00)

Stockholm Seminar on Japan Roundtable discussion

EU-Japan Trade Relations: What's Next?

Moderator: Marie Söderberg, Director, EIJS

1. **Tommy Kullberg**, Chairman, European Business Council (EBC)
2. **Hiomasa Kubo**, Professor, Kobe University
3. **Hajime Wakuda**, Deputy Executive Director,
Japan Machinery Center Brussels Office
4. **Erik Belfrage**,
Chair, EU Trade Policy Study Group and Senior Vice President, SEB

17:00 End of Conference

18:00 DINNER (invited guests only)

10 June: Academic workshop day

I. Session (9:00)

A Future EU-Japan Agenda?

Chair: Glenn Hook, Professor, Sheffield University

Axel Berkofsky, Professor, University of Pavia
"EU-Japan in the Years Ahead"

Yuichi Hosoya, Professor, Keio University
"The Evolution of the EU-Japan Relations: A 'Normative Partnership'?"

Discussant: Linus Hagström, Senior Research Fellow, SIIA

10:30 Coffee Break

II. Session (11:00)

EU-Japan Trade Relations

Chair: Yoichi Sugita, Assistant Professor, Stockholm School of Economics

Hiomasa Kubo, Professor, Kobe University
"Prospects for a Free Trade Agreement"

Norbert Palanovics, Associate Professor, University of Pécs
"The Rule of Common Sense: Perceptual differences when trading
between Japan and the EU"

Discussant: Richard Nakamura, Assistant Professor, Linnaeus University

12:30 Lunch

III. Session (14:00)

Politics and Security: Where do we go from here?

Chair: Axel Berkofsky, Professor, University of Pavia

Kimie Hara, Renison Research Professor, University of Waterloo
"60 Years from San Francisco: Re-examining Frontier Problems
in the Shifting Regional Order in East Asia"

Linus Hagström, Senior Research Fellow, SIIA
"Problematizing 'structural shift' in Sino-Japanese relations:
The territorial dispute as context"

Bert Edström, Senior Research Fellow, ISDP
"Fukushima as a stress test for the Japanese political system"

Discussant: John Swenson-Wright, Senior Lecturer, University of Cambridge

16:00 Coffee Break

IV. Session (16:15)

Responses to Earthquake and Mediating Risk

Chair: Akihiro Ogawa, Assistant Professor, Stockholm University

Glenn Hook, Professor, Sheffield University
"Mediating risk in Japan: Crossing borders and the role of the state"

Annette Skovsted Hansen, Associate Professor, Aarhus University
"Responses to the 2011 Earthquake on Facebook"

Discussant: Norbert Palanovics, Associate Professor, University of Pécs

V. Session (17:30)

CONCLUSIONS/WRAP-UP/EJARN ANNUAL MEETING

18:30 End of Conference

19:30 DINNER (invited guests only)

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